

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

10/619,206

Examiner

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-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--

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1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 02/03/2006.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 3 - 8, 10.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☒ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
- (a) ☒ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
- 1) ☒ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date ____.
- (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date ____.
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6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

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| | 9. <input type="checkbox"/> Other ____. |

DETAILED ACTION

Response to Arguments

Applicant's arguments, see "Applicants' response pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.111", filed 02/03/2006, with respect to Claims 1 - 10 have been fully considered and are persuasive. The rejections of 35 U.S.C. 102 & 112 (2) have been withdrawn.

Allowable Subject Matter

The following is a statement of reasons for the indication of allowable subject matter:

Prior art of record failed to disclose or imply:

"A device for inserting wire or cable into a loom having a pre-cut slit along its length comprising: a splitter means to separate the loom along its length and a wire insertion means affixed to said splitter means to guide at least one wire or cable into said loom as said device is drawn along the length of said loom, wherein said wire insertion means comprises a wire feed channel and a roller to assist in guiding at least one wire or cable into said loom wherein said wire feed channel is positioned behind and in line with said splitter means and wherein said roller is positioned behind and in line with said wire feed channel."

The closest piece of art (Supkis et al., US 6,749,179 B2) discloses an apparatus, for placing one or more wires into split loom tubing, which contains some claimed elements except for the roller and its associated mechanism.

However, prior art of record fails to disclose the claimed subject matter as set forth above. Therefore the device for inserting wire or cable into a loom per claims 3 – 8 and 10 herein are being allowed.

Applicants canceled claims 1, 2 & 9.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Hung C. Le whose telephone number is 571-272-8757. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F: 07:30am - 05:00 pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Jack W. Keith can be reached on 571-272-6878. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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